

then bought and moved to the home in which he still resides, located at 3801 N.W. 186th Street, Miami Gardens, Florida.

As the patriarch of his family, he loves attending family functions to see the four generations of his children. He is still very active, he enjoys fishing at the lake, vegetable gardening and watching baseball games. He always has a quick smile and something witty to say. He is a man of good report, full of spirit and the wisdom of years.

Madam Speaker and my colleagues, I ask that you join me in honoring James P. Cheever today. I hope we all have the good fortune to live such a full life as he has. He is a great man and his family and friends are very proud of all of these achievements.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER OF JACK FUCHS

#### HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 31, 2007*

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize long-time Tempe resident, chemistry professor, professional tympanist and friend: Jack Fuchs.

Jack Fuchs is a remarkable person with a lifetime of achievements. He recently retired after 55 years of teaching at my alma mater, Arizona State University. Those of us in the ASU community believe that he is the longest-serving faculty member in the history of the university.

After serving in Europe during World War II, he arrived back in the States 62 years ago today. Jack wasted no time in pursuing a doctoral degree at the University of Illinois, which he earned in 1950. Two short years later, he packed up his car and set out for a teaching job in Tempe, which was located in foreign territory for an Illinois native—the deserts of Arizona.

Rather than returning home, the Fuchs thrived and put down roots. In addition to his teaching duties, Jack played professionally as the principal tympanist with the Phoenix Symphony for 25 years. He shared the stage with the likes of Jack Benny, Pablo Casals and Andres Segovia, just to name a few. He extended his musical career by performing with the Sun Cities Symphony Orchestra for almost 20 years more, until just 5 years ago.

Jack also managed to keep his friends and fellow faculty members on their toes with a mean game of tennis. Playing with legendary coaches like Frank Kush, Bobby Winkles and Ned Wulk did not dim his competitive drive to win.

These other accomplishments might give the impression that his professional life took a back seat. Nothing could be further from the truth. Among other posts, Jack served as executive officer of the chemistry department for 14 years, as well as national president of the Society for Applied Spectroscopy.

But as a fellow teacher, I know Jack's true love was being in the classroom. Every year for almost 40 years he offered summer programs to young students to share with them the love and excitement of chemistry he discovered himself as a young boy. Who wouldn't love to spend their summers exploring the

wonders of infrared and ultraviolet absorption spectroscopy or modern industrial spectroscopy?

Even today, after 55 years in the classroom, Jack maintains an office at the university and can be found, as always, involved with students 2 to 3 days a week.

I offer my sincere thanks and congratulations on a job well done.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE ASIAN-AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

#### HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 31, 2007*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with sincere admiration that I recognize the Asian-American Medical Association, which will be hosting their 31st annual dinner and charity ball on Saturday, November 3, 2007, at the Avalon Manor in Hobart, Indiana. Each year, the Asian-American Medical Association pays tribute to prominent, outstanding citizens and organizations for their contributions to the community. In recognition of their efforts, these honorees are awarded the prestigious Crystal Globe Award each year at this annual banquet.

The Asian-American Medical Association has always been a great asset to northwest Indiana. Its members have selflessly dedicated themselves to providing quality medical service to the residents of Indiana's First Congressional District, and they have always demonstrated exemplary service through their many cultural, scholastic, and charitable endeavors.

At this year's charity ball, the Asian-American Medical Association will present the Crystal Globe Award to the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest. Founded in 1972, the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest, which began with only four faculty members, has become the largest regional campus of the Indiana University School of Medicine outside of Bloomington and Indianapolis. Located on the campus of Indiana University—Northwest in Gary, Indiana, the school has received acclaim for its curriculum and innovation on a local, national, and international level. In particular, the Problem Based Learning Curriculum, which uses patient case studies as their primary educational tool, has received numerous accolades for the university since its inception in 1990. Since its founding in 1972 under the leadership of Dr. Panayotis Iatridis, the contributions of the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest, both in the education of its students and its commitment to the future, have been a source of pride and hope for the First Congressional District.

While the past 35 years have shown immense advancements in the school's curriculum, the future appears even brighter for the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest. Under the leadership of Dr. Patrick Bankston, the school has made plans to expand class size and to add the final two years of medical education to the curriculum. Once this plan becomes a reality, which may occur as early as 2011, northwest Indiana will, for the first time, allow students to complete their medical education within the region.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending the Asian-American Medical Association, as well as this year's Crystal Globe Award recipient, the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest, for their outstanding contributions to medicine and to the community. Their members' unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for the people of northwest Indiana and throughout the world is truly inspirational. For these reasons, they are to be praised, and I am proud to serve as their Representative in Washington, D.C.

#### SUPPORT OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

#### HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 31, 2007*

Mr. HOLT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of International Education Week, which is sponsored by the Departments of Education and State. International Education Week reminds us of the value of learning foreign languages and learning about foreign cultures and traditions.

In an increasingly interdependent global community, it is important for America's students to be students of the world, and to have the opportunity to study abroad. While such cultural exchanges benefit the individual, they are equally important for America's international competitiveness and national security. Still, a survey from the Institute of International Education shows that during the 2004/2005 school year, fewer than one percent of American undergraduates studied abroad. This event reminds us that we can and must do better.

This week also reminds us of the importance of foreign language study. Studies have shown that early exposure to foreign language education in elementary school has been found to improve children's thinking processes, which help student achievement across all subject areas.

It is my great hope that this year, from November 12 through November 16, all those who recognize the importance of American involvement in the world will take part in International Education Week.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF RON MAY

#### HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 31, 2007*

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize State Senator Ron May and the contributions he has made to my hometown of Colorado Springs and the State of Colorado during his 27 years as a public servant. Senator May, who has honorably represented the 10th Senate District of Colorado since 2001, will officially step down today, Wednesday, October 31, 2007. A principled, capable legislator and a likeable, good-natured man, Senator May will be sincerely missed by those who served with him in the State Capital, including myself, and the residents of Colorado Springs.